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The following constitute(s) the submission required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114(a) and is (are) attached:

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☒ Other Submission: Amendment

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4. Three duplicate copies of this Transmittal Form are enclosed for the above purposes.

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Dear Examiner Zarroli,

Please find attached an official filing of:

- 1) A Request for Continued Examination (four copies)
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- 2) An Amendment (required submission for RCE); and
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